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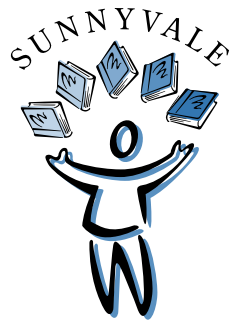
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Update on the Sunnyvale Library of the Future

By Deborah Barrow,
Director of Libraries

Some new milestones have been reached with the Sunnyvale Library of the Future project. Here's a list of recent developments:

- Anderson Brulé Architects completed the Sunnyvale Library of the Future Study and Strategy Community Needs Assessment, Plan of Service, Building Program and Existing Facility Assessment – December 13, 2006
- The Board of Library Trustees reviewed the study at their January 8, 2007 meeting and recommended Council approval. Among the findings were that:
 - ✓ Sunnyvale's was the busiest library in California based on hourly checkouts at 534 checkouts per hour in 2005
 - ✓ The Library is too small and problems with its infrastructure may prevent it from meeting future needs
 - ✓ Books will continue to be important to the community
 - ✓ The Library should be poised to mirror the technological experience of community members' everyday lives
 - ✓ Larger, more interesting, and friendly spaces are needed for children and teens to read, study and interact with others



Library of the Future

- ✓ The Library should promote early childhood literacy, support formal education and provide opportunities for life-long learning
- ✓ As the "Heart of the Community" the Library should be a special, community-oriented place to "be"
- ✓ Based on community needs, anticipated population growth and demand for community space, the Library will require up to 143,000 square feet by the year 2030.
- At their January 23, 2007 meeting, Council reviewed the study, accepted the findings and gave direction on additional goals and next steps to explore the following options for facilities:
 - ✓ Explore the extent to which the existing library building may be expanded or upgraded

- ✓ Explore construction of a new library on a City-owned site
- ✓ Explore a branch library option using a school/public library joint-use facility such as at Columbia Middle School as an example of a public library branch.

- At a stakeholder charrette on February 3, 2007, more than 40 community members jumpstarted the exploration of the facility options by helping to identify opportunities and constraints with each scenario.

Council will review the facilities scenarios at their April 24, 2007 meeting.

In a separate Council action at their January 30, 2007 meeting Council approved their legislative priorities, including support for a new library construction bond act introduced by State Senator Joe Simitian. If moved forward, SB 156, the *California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2008*, would have the potential to provide a portion of the funding needed for the Sunnyvale Library of the Future.

Please watch for more developments on the Sunnyvale Library of the Future project by visiting the Web site libraryofthefuture.inSunnyvale.com, or call (408) 730-7314 for more information.

Library Selected for Chamber's Service to Business Community Award

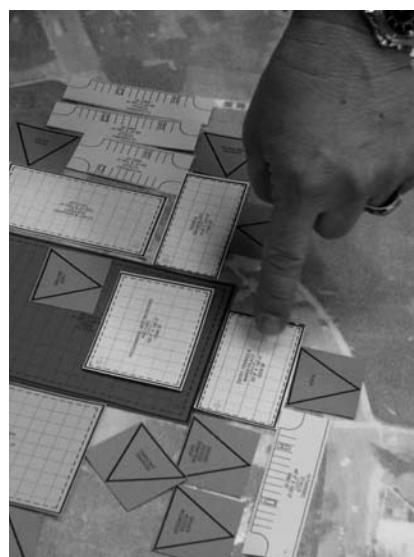


By Steve Sloan

Each year, the Sunnyvale Chamber of Commerce holds a Murphy Awards event which recognizes, commends and honors the outstanding contributions and individuals for their voluntary contributions to the community throughout they year. For a "strong commitment to growing a strong local economy through information," the Library received the Service to the Business Community Award at the 42nd Annual Murphy Awards Ceremony on Saturday, February 3, 2007. The Library was honored to received the award, and looks forward to continuing to serve the business community through free classes like Basic Business Research, shortcuts to information like the Basic Online Business Toolbox publication available on the Library's Web site, and continuing to seek input about what the business community would like to see in the Sunnyvale Library of the Future.



Teams of community members explored different facility options for Sunnyvale's Library of the Future at a charrette on Saturday, February 3.



What will the Library look like in 2030?



For complete information on the Sunnyvale Public Library, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit

www.sunnyvalelibrary.org

Borrow and Watch Videos From Your PC



By Christine Doxtad

Watching videos just got easier using MyLibraryDV, the world's first video-on-demand service aimed at public libraries. Created by Recorded Books, the service provides access to over 400 quality programs wherever Internet access is available. You can check out up to 10 videos at a time with your free library card.

Now, popular TV shows such as **America's Test Kitchen**, **Antiques Roadshow**, **Today's Homeowner** and **Rick Steve's Europe** are only a few clicks away. Along with cooking, how-to and travel programs, you can also watch classic movies, health programs, and interviews with favorite authors. And soon, the Library will be able to publish its own video content to MyLibraryDV, so if you missed an interesting Library program, you could watch it at home at your convenience.

Getting started is easy, just follow these easy steps:

- Visit www.sunnyvalelibrary.org
- Click on the MyLibraryDV link
- Install the download manager. This is a one-time requirement that takes 2-4 minutes depending on your connection speed.
- Choose the program you'd like to watch.
- Follow the instructions to log on.

Certain system requirements are required. These can be found in the FAQ's on the Library home page. Also, to maintain the quiet atmosphere in the library, these videos cannot be watched using the Library's computers.

We hope you make good use of MyLibraryDV. Since this is a new service, we would appreciate getting your feedback. You can share your experience with the librarians at the Information/Reference Desk, filling out a feedback card, or sending an e-mail to library@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

Future Business Leaders of America Make First Donation to the Sunnyvale Library of the Future

By Deborah Barrow, Director of Libraries

Rohit Ramchandani and Max Babicz are two sophomores at Homestead High School who are leading the way to the Sunnyvale Library of the Future. As members of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), they said their mission this year was to help the Sunnyvale Library because so many students use and need the Library. When Max and Rohit heard about plans to develop a blueprint for the Sunnyvale Library of the Future, they knew they had selected the right project.

The dynamic duo put together a fabulous fundraising event that captured the interest of many a student – a teachers' dodgeball tournament. The gymnasium was full of excitement and cheer as teachers from schools throughout the Fremont Union High School District dodged that ball! Students, parents and community members were there to watch in awe and amusement at the teachers' antics.

Max and Rohit had lots of guidance and help with the project. Their teacher/advisor, Byron Lee, is an award-winning Homestead High School teacher with lots of FBLA experience. The Homestead FBLA president, Charles Liu, has a budding career as an energetic sports announcer, if he so chooses. And, there were the various members of FBLA who got the word out about this, as well as subsequent fundraising events; and they helped with all of the arrangements.

The students' excellent teamwork yielded results. Homestead High's FBLA raised over \$4,600 for the Sunnyvale Library of the Future in order to help future teens. In an event at the Library on January 28, 2007, the FBLA presented a check to Sunnyvale Mayor Otto Lee and Vice Mayor Tony Spitaleri, who thanked the students for their hard work and dedication. Through the efforts of these enterprising teens, the first donation has been made to the Sunnyvale Library of the Future. What a bright future it is slated to be!

Books with Buzz Make Their Way to Library Shelves

By Christine Doxtad

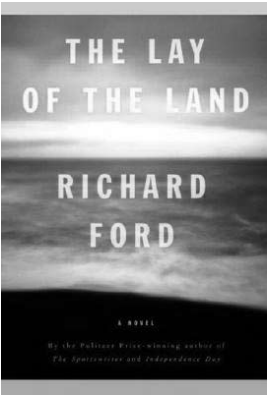
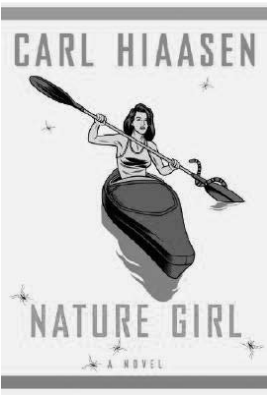
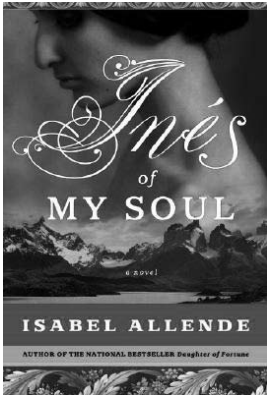
Ever wonder how books are selected for the library? Many selection tools are available to the librarians, such as review journals, bestseller lists and publisher's announcements, but a relatively new selection aid

now in use is a subscription service called MOTOR (Mentioned on Television and Radio). Each day a listing is generated featuring books, magazines, music and videos discussed on the Today Show, Good Morning, America, Oprah, NewsHour with Jim

Lehrer, NPR and many other popular talk shows. In case you missed these shows, the following is a short list of recently mentioned titles:

- The Dog Dialed 911: a Book of Lists from The Smoking Gun**
- The Family That Couldn't Sleep** by D.T. Max
- French Women for All Seasons** by Mireille Guiliano
- Home: the Blueprints of our Lives** by John Edwards
- I Feel Bad About My Neck** by Nora Ephron
- Ines of My Soul** by Isabelle Allende
- It's Okay to Miss the Bed on the First Jump** by John O'Hurley

- Jamie's Italy** by Jamie Oliver
- Lay of the Land** by Richard Ford
- Mindless Eating** by Brian Wansink
- Nature Girl** by Carl Hiaasen
- Not Buying It: A Year Without Shopping** by Judith Levine
- Not Enough Indians** by Harry Shearer.
- Palestine: Peace Not Apartheid** by Jimmy Carter
- The Phony Marine** by James Lehrer
- Saving Graces** by Elizabeth Edwards
- Seduced by Bacon** by Joanna Pruess
- Tyler's Ultimate: Brilliant Simple Food to Make Any Time** by Florence Tyler



Special Performance of Peter and the Wolf

By Betsy Wachter

In 1936, Sergei Prokofiev was commissioned by the Central Children's Theatre of Moscow to write a light-hearted piece for children which would introduce the instruments of the orchestra and their sounds. Prokofiev was excited by the project, although it didn't pay much, and he completed both the music and narration in a week. Seventy years later Prokoviev's work is still enjoyed by children and adults.

The Library is delighted to have guest artists from the Nova Vista Symphony perform Peter and the Wolf for our library patrons, young and old. Along with the music and narration, puppeteers Anna Reznick and Beth Nord will act out the story.

The performance will be in the Program Room on Saturday, March 10 at 2 p.m. Children 3 and older and their families are invited to attend. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

The Tomatoes Are Coming!

By Sara Kempen

The tomato is the most popular garden vegetable in America and it's no wonder. Fully ripened home grown tomatoes are delicious and bear little resemblance to the woody juiceless tomatoes found in the supermarket. Get the information you need to start your own tomato plants in the Bay Area climate when the University of California Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners guide you through the process on Wednesday, March 21 at 7 p.m. in the Library's Program Room. Learn to grow tomatoes from seeds to garden-ready. Then, for life beyond the starter pot, the class will

cover garden bed or container soil preparation and summer growing techniques including fertilization, irrigation and mulching along with control of tomato diseases and insect pests. Learn about a few less well-known tomato varieties and suggested seed sources for them. Finally, with some seed varieties on hand, we'll seed tomatoes into 4" pots. Once you know how to successfully grow tomatoes from seed you can try the delicious old fashioned and exotic varieties that are available in seed catalogs but not offered in nurseries. Best of all, you'll go home with a 4-inch pot ready to nurture.

March

SUNNYVALE LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
COLOR KEY: Children's Programs Teen Programs Adult Programs	All programs meet in the Library's Program Room unless otherwise indicated in the description below.			1 Early Literacy for Parents of 4's & 5's 7 p.m.	2	3 Family Story Time 10:30 a.m. Chess for Kids 3 – 5 p.m.
4	5 Time for Tales 11 a.m. Read-Along Shakespeare 7 p.m. Board Trustees Meeting 7 p.m.	6 Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m. Computer Basics 2 – 4 p.m.	7 Toddler Story Time 11 a.m. Author Rudy Rucker 7 p.m.	8 Preschool Story Time 11 a.m. Focus on Trademarks 2 – 3:30 p.m. NASA/JPL Presentation 7 p.m. Night Owl Story Time 7 p.m.	9	10 Book Sale 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Peter and the Wolf 2 p.m.
11	12 Yarn Day 3 – 5 p.m.	13 Mother Goose for Walkers 11 a.m. Teen Talk 7 p.m.	14 What is Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction 2 – 4 p.m. Toddler Story Time 7 p.m.	15 Preschool Story Time 11 a.m. Monthly Book Group 7 p.m.	16	17 Family Story Time 10:30 a.m. 18th Annual Storytelling Festival 1 – 4 p.m.
18	19 Time for Tales 11 a.m.	20 Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m. Extreme Googling 2 – 3:30 p.m.	21 Toddler Story Time 11 a.m. Genealogy Databases 2 – 3:30 p.m. Growing Tomatoes from Seed 7 p.m.	22 Preschool Story Time 11 a.m. Night Owl Story Time 7 p.m.	23	24 Stories in Russian 10:30 a.m.
25	26 Yarn Day 3 – 5 p.m.	27 Mother Goose for Walkers 11 a.m. Searching the Internet 2 – 4 p.m. Gocks! 7 p.m.	28 Toddler Story Time 7 p.m.	29 Preschool Story Time 11 a.m. "I Have an Idea, Now What?" 2 – 3:30 p.m.	30	31

Program Descriptions

Board of Library Trustees

Monday, March 5, 7 p.m.
The meetings are open to the public. The March 5 meeting will be held in Council Chambers at 456 W. Olive Ave.

Children's Programs

Chess for Kids
Saturday, March 3, 3 – 5 p.m.
Teen tutors will match participants and teach skills. For children 3rd grade and up.

Family Story Time
Saturday, March 3 & 17, 10:30 a.m.
For all ages.

Mother Goose for Pre-walkers
Tuesday, March 6 & 20, 11 a.m.

Mother Goose for Walkers
Tuesday, March 13 & 27, 11 a.m.
For ages up to 2.

Night Owl Story Time
Thursday, March 8 & 22, 7 p.m.
For ages 3 – 8.

Preschool Story Time
Thursday, March 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5, 12, 11 a.m.
A weekly small-group program for children ages 3 to 5 who are able to participate without a parent or caregiver. This session will include stories and songs that include rhyme. Registration is required and began on February 22.

Stories in Russian
Saturday, March 24, 10:30 a.m.

Time for Tales
Monday, March 5 & 19, 11 a.m.
For ages 3 – 5.

Toddler Story Time (Morning)
Wednesday, March 7 & 21, 11 a.m.
For ages 2 – 3 ½.

Toddler Story Time (Evening)
Wednesday, March 14 & 28, 7 p.m.
For ages 2 – 3 ½.

Children's Special Programs

18th Annual Storytelling Festival
Saturday, March 17, 1 – 4 p.m.
For children in kindergarten and older and adults. Interested storytellers please contact Children's Services at (408) 730-7292.

Peter and the Wolf
Saturday, March 10, 2 p.m.
Performed by the Nova Vista Symphony, with Puppeteers Anna Reznick and Beth Nord. For children 3 and older and their families.

Workshop for Parents

Early Literacy for Parents of Four- and Five-Year Olds
Thursday, March 1, 7 p.m.
Sign-up not necessary; parents only, please.

Teen Programs

GOCKS!
Tuesday, March 27, 7 p.m.
Teens in grades 6 - 10 are invited to create a Goth Sock Puppet (Gock).

Teen Talk
Tuesday, March 13, 7 p.m.
A book discussion group for teens in grades 6 – 11. Refreshments provided.

Yarn Days
Monday, March 12 & 26, 3 – 5 p.m.
Teens and adults are welcome to join us in this knitting and crocheting group. Bring a project if you have one, or drop in to learn.

Adult Classes

Computer Basics
Tuesday, March 6, 2 – 4 p.m.
This part lecture, part hands-on class is for first-time computer users. Register for this relaxed, stress-free class two weeks in advance.

Extreme Googling
Tuesday, March 20, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
Learn how to get the MOST out of Google and improve searching efficiency.

Genealogy Databases
Wednesday, March 21, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
Learn about the Library's genealogy databases, Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online.

Searching the Internet
Tuesday, March 27, 2 – 4 p.m.
Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indexes, and discover great places to start your search.

Literature Programs

Monthly Book Group
Thursday, March 15, 7 p.m.
This month, **Glass Castle, A Memoir** by Jeannette Walls will be discussed.

Read-Along Shakespeare
Monday, March 5, 7 p.m.
This month, **Henry IV, Part 1** will be read.

Adult Special Programs

Author Rudy Rucker
Wednesday, March 7, 7 p.m.
Popular local author Rudy Rucker will discuss writing and his newest books, **Mathematicians in Love** and a collection of short stories, **Mad Professor**.

Focus on Trademarks
Thursday, March 8, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
Explore trademark information available on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Web site. Find filing instructions, fees, tutorials

and guides. Learn about researching names and logos.

Friends of the Library Book Sale
Saturday, March 10, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Members-only sale starts at 9 a.m.; Bargain Hours (\$4/bag) 2:30 – 4 p.m.
Get great deals on thousands of books, DVDs and music CDs at the Friends Book Sale! The sale will be held at Raynor Center, 1500 Partridge Avenue. View/download the location map at *friendsofthelibrary.inSunnyvale.com*.

Growing Tomatoes from Seed
Wednesday, March 21, 7 p.m.
University of California Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners will guide you through the process of growing tomatoes.

"I Have an Idea, Now What?"
Thursday, March 29, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
How do you start to turn your great invention idea into reality? Find out about different kinds of intellectual property rights. How much does it cost and how long does it take to get a patent and a trademark? Discover free resources for researching your invention. Learn about the steps you can take now.

What is Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction
Wednesday, March 14, 2 – 4 p.m.
Bob Stahl, Ph.D., Director of Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction programs at El Camino Hospital, will give a presentation, focusing on how mindfulness meditation works with stress, pain and illness. Stress is a common factor in various health conditions and mindfulness meditation can help us gain access to deep resources of healing and to live more peacefully in the midst of stress, pain, and illness.

NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador Talk on Saturn
Thursday, March 8, 7 p.m.
Eric B. Norris, a NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador, will give a talk about the Cassini-Huygens Mission to Saturn and Saturn's largest moon, Titan. The talk will be followed by a viewing of Saturn through Eric's 12" telescope, weather permitting.

April

SUNNYVALE LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Time for Tales 11 a.m. Read-Along Shakespeare 7 p.m. Board of Directors Trustee Meeting 7 p.m.	3 Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m. Blogs & Blogging 6 – 8 p.m.	4 Toddler Story Time 11 a.m. Computer Basics 2 – 4 p.m.	5 Preschool Story Time 11 a.m. Night Owl Story Time 7 p.m.	6	7 Celebrate Arbor Day! 10:30 a.m. Chess for Kids 3 – 5 p.m.
8 Library Closed	9 Yarn Day 3 – 5 p.m.	10 Mother Goose for Walkers 11 a.m. Teen Talk 7 p.m.	11 Toddler Story Time 7 p.m.	12 Preschool Story Time 11 a.m. Author Bob Balmanno 7 p.m.	13	14 Cuentos en Español 2 p.m.
15	16 Time for Tales 11 a.m.	17 Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m.	18 Toddler Story Time 11 a.m. Dream Green Kitchens 7 – 8 p.m	19 Basic Business Research 2 – 4 p.m. Monthly Book Group 7 p.m. Night Owl Story Time 7 p.m.	20	21 Family Story Time 10:30 a.m.
NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK						
	23 Yarn Day 3 – 5 p.m.	24 Mother Goose for Walkers 11 a.m.	25 Toddler Story Time 7 p.m.	26 Future Business Leaders Showcase 6 – 7:30 p.m.	27	28 Stories in Russian 10:30 a.m.
	30 Time for Tales 11 a.m.			COLOR KEY: Children's Programs Teen Programs Adult Programs	All programs meet in the Library's Program Room unless otherwise indicated in the description below.	

CELEBRATE
NATIONAL
LIBRARY WEEK

April 15 – 21, 2007

Special Events Include:

- Personalized bookmarks
- Backroom tours
- Free food

Check the Web site for a
schedule of events

Program Descriptions

Board of Library Trustees

Monday, April 2, 7 p.m.
The meetings are open to the public.
The meeting will be held in Council Chambers at 456 W. Olive Ave.

Children’s Programs

- Chess for Kids**
Saturday, April 7, 3 – 5 p.m.
Teen tutors will match participants and teach skills. For children 3rd grade and up
- Cuentos en Español**
Saturday, April 14, 2 p.m.
Para la familia entera! Stories in Spanish for the whole family!
- Family Story Time**
Saturday, April 21, 10:30 a.m.
For all ages.
- Mother Goose for Pre-walkers**
Tuesday, April 3 & 17, 11 a.m.
- Mother Goose for Walkers**
Tuesday, April 10 & 24, 11 a.m.
For ages up to 2.
- Night Owl Story Time**
Thursday, April 5 & 19, 7 p.m.
For ages 3 - 8.
- Preschool Story Time**
Thursday, April 5 & 12, 11 a.m.
A weekly small-group program for children ages 3 to 5 who are able to participate without a parent or caregiver. Each 6-week session will focus on a different skill leading to kindergarten readiness. This session will include stories and songs that include rhyme. Registration is required and began on February 22 for this session. The next session's registration begins on Thursday, April 12.

- Stories in Russian**
Saturday, April 28, 10:30 a.m.
- Time for Tales**
Monday, April 2, 16 & 30, 11 a.m.
For ages 3 – 5.
- Toddler Story Time (Morning)**
Wednesday, April 4 & 18, 11 a.m.
For ages 2 – 3 1/2
- Toddler Story Time (Evening)**
Wednesday, April 11 & 25, 7 p.m.
For ages 2 – 3 1/2.

Children’s Special Program

Celebrate Arbor Day!
Saturday, April 7, 10:30 a.m.
Stories, then plant a tree on the library grounds. Co-sponsored by the City of Sunnyvale Public Works Department. For the whole family.

Teen Programs

- Teen Talk**
Tuesday, April 10, 7 p.m.
A book discussion group for teens in grades 6 – 11. Refreshments provided.
- Yarn Days**
Monday, April 9 & 23, 3 – 5 p.m.
Teens and adults are welcome to join us in this knitting and crocheting group. Bring a project if you have one, or drop in to learn.

Adult Classes

- Basic Business Research**
Thursday, April 19, 2 – 4 p.m.
Learn how to find information on starting a small business, writing a business plan, finding company performance data, and performing competitive analysis. We will also cover resources for protecting and researching the intellectual property of a business.
- Blogs & Blogging**
Tuesday, April 3, 6 – 8 p.m.
The popularity of blogs has exploded over the past few years and is transforming the way the Web works. Come hear practical ideas for launching your web presence, learn about free tools to create a blog in minutes and how new technologies can help you reach the world with your message. Formerly called “Creating a Web Page.”
- Computer Basics**
Wednesday, April 4, 2 – 4 p.m.
A presentation designed for new or first time computer users, with an opportunity for hands-on practice. Learn about computers in a relaxed, stress-free setting. Registration is required two weeks prior to class date for this part lecture, part hands-on program.

Literature Programs

- Monthly Book Group**
Thursday, March 19, 7 p.m.
Enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. All are welcome. This month, **The Devil in the White City** by Erik Larsen will be discussed.
- Read-Along Shakespeare**
Monday, April 2, 7 p.m.
Gather with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, **Henry IV, Part 2** will be read.

Adult Special Programs

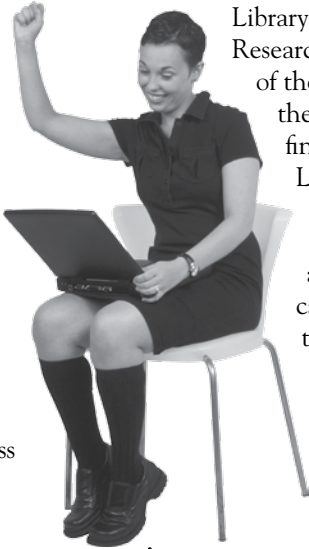
- Author Bob Balmanno**
Thursday, April 12, 7 p.m.
Local author Bob Balmanno will discuss his new book **September Snow**.
- Dream Green Kitchens**
Wednesday, April 18, 7 – 8 p.m.
Join author Jennifer Roberts (**Good Green Kitchens**, **Redux** and **Good Green Homes**), for a lively talk about what green means when it comes to the kitchen, the nation’s most frequently remodeled room. Get tips for eco-friendly redecorating and remodeling, and advice on how to keep costs in check when greening your kitchen. Learn about techniques, materials and products being used today to create kitchens that are beautiful, healthier for people and easier on the planet. Get ready to go green. Sunnyvale Building division staff will also be on hand to answer your questions about permit requirements for kitchen remodeling projects. Call (408) 730-7484 to reserve your space (walk-ins are welcome, space permitting).
- Future Business Leaders Showcase**
Thursday, April 26, 6 – 7:30 p.m.
Right in our own backyard, the Future Business Leaders of America chapter at Homestead High School has become one of the nation’s premiere business leadership organizations. Come hear these students’ nationally-recognized project presentations, learn about their positive impact in our community, and be amazed at the talent and professionalism of our young people.

Computer Skills Tutorials Now Available Online

By Christine Doxtdad

Do you need to update your computer skills? There's no need to enroll in an expensive, time-consuming class! Now you can increase your knowledge at home or at the Library using the Computer Skills Tutorials, a new component of Learning Express Library. Learning Express Library is a unique test preparation database offering both academic practice tests and licensing practice tests made available to you through the Library's Web site.

The new program provides access to over 50 easy-to-use, self-paced courses including Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Outlook, Access and more. All the tutorials are completely interactive and help learners of any age develop the computer skills necessary for success in the workplace, school and everyday life. In addition



to the tutorials, you can read e-books on school and career topics such as critical thinking skills, writing resumés and cover letters, preparing for the TOEFL, improving your math skills, getting into the military and much more.

To access these tutorials go to the Library's Web page, and click on Research Online on the left side of the page. Then scroll down the list of databases until you find the Learning Express Library. Once you click on the link, you will be asked to create your own account using your library card number. To view the tutorials you will need to download a one time plug-in. Take the time to listen to "Wally," the Learn2Learning Agent, who will explain how to navigate through the tutorials. Soon, you'll be able to sit down at your computer with confidence, creating spreadsheets, slideshows, newsletters and more.

Friendly Chat

By Lisa Bennett, Member – Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library

The Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library was established in early 1965, and incorporated in the spring of 1967. It is dedicated to helping the Library achieve its goals through participating in volunteer activities, raising funds and promoting the Library in the community.

History

In the 1960s and 1970s, due to economic factors (many stay-at-home moms) and widespread volunteering in America, the group was quite large and active, and in addition to a very large 4-day annual book sale, the group had a hospitality function with other Sunnyvale groups. They began sorting donated books in the library's basement, and then moved to Raynor Center in the early 1970s. The Friends had the help of the Parks and Recreation Department in transporting books, and the Friends paid for renting the sales sites.

Due to a financial crisis in the late 1980s, Parks and Recreation staff was no longer available to help. The

active members began to transport books to Raynor themselves, and the membership began to dwindle as the economy in this area changed and many women entered the workforce. The Friends were no longer able to afford to pay for sales sites, and Raynor Center became the primary sorting and sales venue.

Today

Today the Friends host a sales table in the Library (established in 1991) along with three large sales per year at Raynor Center, and smaller sales of the newest, high-quality books in the Library's multi-purpose room. They contribute funds to the Library for items such as the self-check machines, reusable book bags, and furniture. There are approximately 300 members of the Friends today, with approximately 25 – 30 members actively participating in events and book sorting.

We have a tremendous need for volunteers to help with book sorting and sales. Please contact Becky Horton at friendsofsunnyvalelibrary@yahoo.com or (408) 431-9823 if you have some time to help.



Purchases made from the Friends of the Library Book Table help fund enhancements to Library services and programs.

Gratitude for An Anonymous Gift

By Deborah Barrow, Director of Libraries

The Sunnyvale Public Library has friends and supporters we can count on, and we love to thank them!

The Vanguard Charitable Endowment Program recently sent notification that a donor recommended the Sunnyvale Public Library for a grant of \$10,000 for children's materials and programs. Such donations allow the Library to provide a broader spectrum of books, media, online resources and programs. Staff is formulating some exciting ideas for this specific donation.

Many thanks to our anonymous donor! We appreciate your support of the children of Sunnyvale and the Sunnyvale Public Library.



Library Entrance Makeover Makes Finding Books Easier

By Christine Doxtdad

If you have visited the Library recently, you may have noticed some changes to the fireplace area where the new books are displayed. Beautiful new chairs, carpeting and display furniture have been installed thanks to the generous support from the Friends of the Library. Known as the Marketplace, the new furniture allows books to be displayed face out, similar to what you might find in a bookstore. Materials are grouped according to genre, making it easier to find fresh, new books to read. Once you've selected some interesting titles, you can sit down in front of the fireplace in one of the new comfortable chairs and look through your books before you take them home.

Popular topics, such as books about cooking, home and garden, health and fitness, history and biography, crafts and sewing, mysteries and science fiction are featured on the display units while new books on other topics are shelved in the bookcase along the wall. One patron reported that she was delighted with the new

arrangement and could find just about everything she wanted in the Marketplace. The interest is so great that the librarians have to restock the shelves several times a day; after all, who can resist a beautiful new cookbook or a book about how to live to be 100? New books are selected by the librarians who try to anticipate demand by using data from publisher and media sources. The books stay in the Marketplace for about six months before they are moved back to the regular shelves.

The Marketplace concept is a growing trend in the library world, as we strive to make the library more attractive and convenient for our users. If you've visited any of the newly-built libraries surrounding Sunnyvale, you will note that they all feature a Marketplace of some kind or another. In the future, we plan to expand our Marketplace to include more new materials such as large print books, paperbacks, audiobooks and other popular collections. We hope that you enjoy our Marketplace and the many wonderful books we have on display.



The Library Marketplace is front and center as you enter the Library.

Library Advocate Receives State-wide Award

**By Deborah Barrow,
Director of Libraries**

The City of Sunnyvale and the Sunnyvale Public Library have a state-wide shining star and her name is Roberta “Jackie” Harrison. A former Chair of the Sunnyvale Board of Library Trustees and active library advocate, Jackie Harrison has a number of accomplishments to her credit. The California Association of Library Trustees and Commissioners (CALTAC) honored Ms. Harrison as the Member Emeritus at the California Library Association convention held in November 2006.

Here’s what they had to say about her in the October - December 2006 issue of CALTACTICS, the quarterly newsletter for CALTAC.

“Roberta “Jackie” Harrison has fulfilled many times over all criteria established for the appointment of this status. Jackie’s achievements testify to her leadership through the years in the library world and also illustrate her generosity in her own community as well.

As part of community activity, Jackie served on the Sunnyvale Board of Library Trustees and served as Chair during each term. She worked on the library sub-element which is part of the General Plan for the City of Sunnyvale. When Jackie termed off of the Library Board, she applied and was

appointed to the Sunnyvale Housing and Human Services Commission. Additionally, Jackie served two terms on the SAB for what became the Silicon Valley Library System, acting as Chair during each term.

Jackie was a member of the Board of CALTAC for over 15 years. She served two terms as president, as well as several years as chair of the following committees: workshop, Awards, Northern Regional Rep and Chair and member of the CALTAC Trustee Toolkit committee. The current edition of the CALTAC Trustee Toolkit was published during one of her terms as president.

Jackie did not leave the CALTAC Board to go twiddle her thumbs!

Currently, Jackie is the Program Chair for AAUW, volunteers at her grandson’s school tutoring individual students, and serves a regular weekly shift in the classroom. She is also an active member of the school library committee that develops and staffs the library. Jackie is an active church member and continues to be a member of the Friends of Sunnyvale Public Library.”

Please join us in congratulating Roberta “Jackie” Harrison for her various accomplishments and for receiving this prestigious award. We are so pleased to have Jackie as an active community member and library advocate. Thank you Jackie for all that you have done!



Sunnyvale’s Director of Libraries Deborah Barrow (left) and CALTAC’s Karen Dyer congratulate Jackie Harrison (center) on receiving the Member Emeritus award.

Cassini-Huygens Mission to Saturn and Saturn Viewing

By Sara Kempen

Eric B. Norris, a NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador, will give a talk on the Cassini-Huygens mission to Saturn and Saturn’s largest moon, Titan. The Cassini spacecraft is the first to explore the Saturn system of rings and moons from orbit. Cassini entered orbit in 2004 and immediately began sending back intriguing images and data. The European Space Agency’s Huygens Probe dove into Titan’s thick atmosphere in January 2005. The sophisticated instruments on both spacecraft are providing scientists with vital data and the best views ever of this mysterious, vast region of our solar system. After the talk, weather permitting, you’ll be able to view Saturn with your own eyes through Eric’s 12-inch telescope. The talk will start a 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 8 in the Program Room.

Dolls Take Center Stage in New Display Case

By Susan W. Denniston

A new display case donated by the Shankle family has some new residents. Dolls dressed in native dress from Mexico, Greece, Australia, England and many other countries

are on display in the case in the Marketplace entrance of the Library. The dolls were collected by Ann Tench McNulty and donated to the Library at least fifteen years ago. The addition of the display case to the

Marketplace area will enable the Library to prominently showcase some of the many dolls from different lands in this collection. Staff and community members both have helped to identify the homelands of the dolls in this diverse exhibit.

We’d like to encourage you to think about special collections that you have that might be suitable for the display case. Guidelines for proposals for collections to loan to the Library for displays will be available soon from the Information/Reference Desk. We will be looking for collections that would be of interest to general library users. A staff committee will make decisions on what to display for a month or more in the case.

Shells, cars, glass, toys, instruments, stamps, ceramics, postcards, coins, historical artifacts ... what do you have to share?



Orientation Guides to the Library in Chinese and Spanish Now Available!



Pick one up in the Library or view/download online from the Library’s Publications Web page.

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Friday & Saturday	10am–6pm
Sunday	12pm–8pm
Book and media drops are located outside the Library for after-hours returns.	

Telephone Numbers

Borrowers’ Records	(408) 730-2748
Children’s & Teen Services	(408) 730-7292
Deaf Access: TDD/TYY	(408) 730-7501
Dial-A-Story (English)	(408) 730-7333
Dial-A-Story (Spanish)	(408) 737-4907
Information & Reference	(408) 730-7300
Library Cards	(408) 730-2748
Library Administration	(408) 730-7316
Overdue Materials	(408) 730-7309
Renewals (Automated)	(408) 730-7310
Special Outreach Services	(408) 730-7306

Area Code

Library Web Site

www.sunnyvalelibrary.org

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